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HORSE FAMINE IS PREDICTED IN U. S.

As a Result of the European War Western Breeders Predict a Horse Famine if Conflict Continues Longer

THE HORSE INDUSTRY IS BEING DEMORALIZED

A Horse famine in the United States is predicted by western breeders if the European war continues another year. In western Nebraska and South Dakota, Wyoming, Montana and Colorado are hundreds of ranches where horses have been raised for years. These range animals form the lower stratum of the horse world altho they are hardy and fairly average height and weight they lack the breeding of the general purpose farm animals and draft horses. A year ago they brought less on the average than \$100.

It was this source of supply that the horse buyers for the European belligerents, the allies mostly, first reached. The demand speedily sent the prices up to \$125 for horses suitable to haul guns, or "gunners" in the vernacular. Today they are bringing \$167 and \$200 each and there aren't enough to supply the demand.

At first a rigid inspection was enforced, and any animal that did not weigh 1,300 pounds and which was not absolutely perfect was rejected. Today any animal that gives reason to hope that it will stand the gaff is accepted and more money paid. The Italians are partly responsible for this. When their buyers entered the field they were content with smaller and lighter animals than the English and French, and as they were willing to pay just as good prices they were able to get all they wanted.

With no capital invested many buyers have been raking in profits running from \$500 to \$4000 a week. Five dollars commission for each horse accepted and the inspection bars almost to the ground have made this possible.

Scattered all thru the Middle West are horse buyers who have an accurate knowledge of just where purchasable animals are to be found. It is their business to keep posted, and it is this knowledge they are now cashing in at amazing profit.

"Another year of this great drain," says Mark W. Woods, head of the largest breeding and horse jobbing establishment in the West, "and the future of the business in this country will be seriously menaced. As long as the demand was limited to the range animals it was decidedly beneficial to the industry, for the reason that this meant a clean up of the inferior grades, which would certainly be supplanted by purchases of better animals from the breeders."

"In the last two months the price of these colts has just about doubled, and if the war keeps draining the animals from this source it is bound to demoralize the industry by taking the breed-

ing stock. This means that it will take us years to get back to the old standards. Besides it will make it a difficult task to supply mounts for our own army if we should happen to be drawn into the war. The situation is not very serious now, but it contains possibilities of a menace."—Denver News.

SAFETY FIRST MEETING

Saturday, October 10th, was the occasion of the regular monthly meeting of the Safety First department on this section of the El Paso & Southwestern. The conference was held in the reception room of the club house in Carrizozo and a large attendance of railroad men showed the intense interest which is being manifested in this important movement. Division Superintendent C. D. Beeth, who has recently been promoted to this responsible office, and who is just now performing his first month of service in this capacity, presided over the deliberation of the council and directed the study of accident prevention for the large class of trainmen assembled.

The Outlook is authorized to extend to the general public an invitation to attend these Safety First meetings as often as opportunity permits. The movement is an entirely mutual proposition and it is earnestly desired to educate the public as well as the operatives of the railway systems in care for the safety of life and limb. Although the intense interest which all railroad companies are now showing in the study of accident prevention may be accredited largely to a mercenary motive by those who doubt the genuineness of the spirit which prompts it, the fact remains that a material reduction of damage suits means a decrease in lives lost and bodies maimed; and such a record as the initiation of Safety First has been able in such a short time to attain, and the material reduction of accidents and deaths which the movement has brought about, should certainly appeal to the public at large in no uncertain terms.

MERRY GO ROUND NEXT WEEK

A ten-thousand dollar electric merry-go-round will be in Carrizozo the entire week beginning October 25th, and will be located immediately West of Ziegler Brothers general merchandise store. This modern pleasure machine has been making a decided hit with people of all ages in its home town, Tucumcari, and we prophesy for the younger generation a rip roaring time whenever they can get a grip on a jitney coin, the price of the circular joy ride.

ENTERTAINS HOME MISSION

Mrs. Andrew McCurdy was hostess to about fifteen ladies of the Home Mission Society Wednesday afternoon. A missionary program was led by Mrs. R. T. Cribb and some interesting articles presented by members to whom various portions had been assigned. After the devotional services refreshments consisting of sandwiches, coffee and cake were served and a substantial free-will offering was as usual contributed at the close of the evening's proceedings.

COUNTY EXHIBIT MAKES GOOD SHOWING

The Lincoln County Exhibit Sent to the State Fair at Albuquerque was one of the Best on the Ground

MANY PRODUCTS ARE AWARDED FIRST PRIZE

Again the resources of Lincoln County have been shown to the admiring public to be not only vast in extent but full of that spice of life called variety. The exhibits of the county's products which went from here to the state fair at Albuquerque "made a hit" in every respect. Throughout the progress of the fair days the Lincoln County exhibit was the object of favorable comment and earnest inspection on the part of a continuous throng of visitors. Manager McQuillen, who was custodian of the display, had no time to visit the other attractions of the fair except "out of office hours".

Space permits only a brief comment upon each entry, and we hasten to say that Lincoln County has been shown to be an incomparable apple growing district. Our mammoth Wolf River apples took both first and second prizes, the first prize winner having been grown by L. R. Hust, of Nogal and the second prize apples of this variety were grown by Fred Pfingsten of Lincoln. Mr. Hust was also awarded second prize for winter banana apples, J. O. Nabours of Three Rivers took second prize on Stamen Winesaps and J. V. Tully won second place with his specimen of Black Bens.

In the vegetable column we note the winning of first prize, for the largest head of cabbage by Mrs. Chavez of Lincoln, Paul Bentley of Carrizozo beat the whole state in the excellence of his summer squash. Murray and Rose of San Patricio took first on Denia Onions and second on sweet potatoes. Roy Skinner's Hubbard squash took a close second. From the results of the prize awards, Lincoln County is a super-fine corn-growing region, as William Ferguson of Nogal Mesa pulled down an easy first with his Red Goose corn, some fine ears being on display. Fred Pfingsten's corn was also an eye-opener, but was not admitted to consideration by the judges, because the sufficient number of ears were not on hand for display.

The White Oaks mining district was well represented with specimens of ore. The tungsten ore recently discovered in this rich mineral region was awarded second and not first only because there was no competition, this specimen being the only one forthcoming from any New Mexico mineral deposits. The gold tungsten ore was adjudged second in value, but had competitors from the Colfax County mines of northern New Mexico.

It is a safe assertion that no one county was able to display to the visiting public at the state fair such a variety of products. The vast undeveloped resources in this section baffle even the keenest imagi-

nation. With almost any kind of soil in existence, with plain and mountains surcharged with mineral and fertile valleys between, the splendid achievements of those who have to some measured tested its possibilities as a producer is but a foretaste of what the enterprise of future development is sure to bring about. The fertility of the soil and the vastness of its undeveloped possibilities extend to the soldier of fortune an irresistible beckon to a land of peace and plenty, for his efforts are sure to be rewarded in proportionate measure.

KILLED IN ARIZONA

John Williamson, for many years a resident of this section, was shot and killed in a Douglas, Arizona, rooming house about five o'clock Sunday morning. Relatives here were notified that the body would be brought to Carrizozo for interment, a number of relatives and friends met the noon train Tuesday which bore the corpse. The body was attended by Mrs. Williamson, the father of the deceased, Charles Williamson, his brother, and Mrs. Fred W. Getty, who went to Deming from Palomas Springs to join the party en route to this place. The body was taken in charge by Undertaker T. E. Kelley and prepared for burial. The funeral was conducted from the Reilly residence at five o'clock Tuesday afternoon and the remains were entered about dusk in Evergreen Cemetery. The deceased is well known in this locality, being among the old settlers, though having lately engaged in the mercantile business at Deming, and a large circle of friends and acquaintances regret his untimely demise and extend to the sorrowing relatives their sympathy and condolence in this their sad hour of bereavement.

BAPTIST PASTOR RESIGNS

Rev. O. H. Hullinger, for some months pastor of the Baptist church at this place, tendered his resignation Sunday night after the regular service. Rev. Hullinger severed his connection, he affirmed, through no misunderstanding between him and his congregation, nor any discouragement concerning the outlook for successful ministry here, but because his wife's failing health made it impossible for her to continue active work in the church as was the understanding when the pastor was recently called. After some deliberation on the part of the members, the resignation was accepted to take place immediately, but the retiring pastor thinks he knows of an available minister with all necessary qualifications as to a helpmate who will prove an able successor. We regret to see Bro. Hullinger leave us and wish him a full measure of success wherever he decides to locate for the future. He has shown himself an untiring worker and a consecrated laborer in the Master's vineyard.

EMBROIDERY CLUB MEETING

The newly organized embroidery club met Thursday with Mrs. H. S. Campbell. A most pleasant evening was spent in a variety of ways interspersed with music and terminated by delicious light refreshments. The next meeting will be with Mrs. R. T. Cribb.

DISTRICT COURT MEETS HERE OCT. 25

Regular Term of District Court for Lincoln County Will Convene in Carrizozo on Monday, Oct. 25

PETIT JURY WILL BE CALLED THURSDAY

District Court for Lincoln County will convene in Carrizozo on Monday, October 25, in regular session, Judge Edward L. Medler, presiding.

The court officials will be appointed on Monday and the grand jury has been subpoenaed to appear on the same day and will start their deliberations then, while the petit jury, which has to do with the trying of cases will be called Thursday.

Something near forty cases are to come before the grand jury for investigation, about half of this number being criminal cases.

The first three days of the session the court will take up civil matters that are to be tried without a jury, while the remainder of the term will be devoted to criminal matters.

No important criminal cases are to come up for hearing at this time, and the term will probably not last more than three weeks.

Chief Deputy John Baird has been out for a week or more summoning the panel of the two juries which are as follows:

GRAND JURY

Marcel Sambrano, F. J. Sager, Robert Forsythe, Carlos Vigil, T. P. Kirkland, Pablo Chavez, Eusebio Montoya, G. L. Dean, Francis Blanchard, Clint Colbaugh, Reyes Mirable, P. W. Verwerk, John C. Copeland, Salamon Sanchez, Antonio Vega, Octabiano Gallegos, Ray Reddy, J. F. Kimball, Jose Lopez, E. D. Hays, Ellis Richardson.

TALESMEN

R. C. Elliott, Candeario Torres, L. H. Dow, George Queen, Oscar Anderson, Henry Emerson.

PETIT JURY

C. R. Dean, Fred Hale, Julian Giff, E. F. Jones, Federico Montoya, Christobal Sanchez, Charles Spencer, Earl Black, Pablo Miranda, Roland Box, H. D. Armstrong, Florencio Morales, F. S. Hulbert, Ben Lujan, M. C. Porter, Dan Franks, David Gallegos, A. E. Hunter, Luis Montano, Wm. Garvin, Roman Pacheco, Juan Archuleta, A. R. Duggar, John Roberts.

TALESMEN

Jesus Carrillo, James M. Simms, Ed Zelditz, R. J. Forrest, Julian Silvia, Ernest Cole, Martin Baca, J. A. Deao.

HONORED AT GRAND LODGE

George J. Dingwall was the recipient of quite a distinction at the recent meeting of the Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias in Albuquerque receiving the office of outer guard in the state body for the ensuing year. This is simply another case of consistent work and genuine loyalty receiving its inevitable reward of honor and we congratulate Mr. Dingwall on the recognition which the Grand Lodge has shown.

IS RECOVERING

Walter H. Smith, the young Ford mechanic who accidentally shot himself last Thursday evening, is making good progress in the line of recovery, and in event of no unforeseen complications should be soon plying his trade at the old stand.